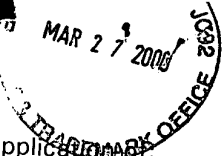


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In re application of:

HAMMERMAN, et al.

Serial No.: 09/222,460

Filing Date: 29 December 1998

 For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD
 FOR IMPROVING FUNCTION
 OF EMBRYONIC KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed January 31, 2000.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

2. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said growth factor-containing composition comprises [one or more growth factor selected from the group consisting of] insulin-like growth factor I[, insulin-like growth factor II, transforming growth factor alpha, transforming growth factor beta, acidic fibroblast growth factor, basic fibroblast growth

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